

THE CANOE ASSOCIATION of NORTHERN IRELAND

MINUTES of the Council meeting held on 24th January 2005 at Cooke Rugby Club, Belfast at 7.30pm.

PRESENT

Stephen Craig Mary Doyle Rodger Hamilton Davy Maxwell

APOLOGIES

Mike Harron Matt Peach Mike McClure

MINUTES - MATTERS ARISING

Correction to the minutes of the December meeting - money may be available from the SCNI to provide taster sessions. A letter has been sent to the Rivers Agency regarding the building of the new weir on the Strule. The Rivers Agency have replied that they undertook the work on behalf of the Loughs Agency so the secretary will contact the Rivers Agency.

CANOEING PARTICIPATION SCHEME

Money is not guaranteed for this scheme - Stephen will check the budget. Two tenders have been received by the deadline.

BCU BOARD REPRESENTATION

Mike Harron will no longer be CANI's representative on the BCU Board. The new representative will be chosen by the new CANI Council after the AGM.

MODERNISATION

Discussion took place on the new auditing process currently being undertaken by A.H.L. on behalf of the Sports Council. This is not a financial audit but one of governing body skills, procedures and policies. Stephen has had a preliminary meeting with Joanne Fries of A.H.L. Authority was given for Stephen to give her the documents requested in the pre-audit survey.

SPORTS ACTION PLAN

Stephen will meet with Stephen McGeehan of SCNI re our grant application for 2005. This has to be submitted by 31st January.

POLO SQUAD

Nigel Graham has resigned as Polo Squad Manager and John Lester is to replace him. The secretary will send John a copy of the Squad Manager Guidelines.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS

A request has been received from Queen's Canoe Club for financial help in running the Belfast Kayak Varsities from 18th-20th February 2005. Council has offered the use of the CANI bibs and a cheque for £100.

A letter has been received from Belfast Kayak querying our insurance cover for trips where non-members are involved. Stephen agreed to contact the BCU about this.

OBITUARY

We are sorry to hear of the sudden death of Andy Jackson from pneumonia. Andy was the Access Officer of the Scottish Canoe Association. Council would like to offer its sympathy to Andy's family and the SCA.

DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING

The next council meeting will be held on Monday 21st February 2005 at 7.30pm in Cooke Rugby Club.